# Hadron structure studies with A Fixed-Target Experiment at the LHC - AFTER@LHC -

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### Outline of the talk

### - AFTER@LHC

### - TMD physics

- Intrinsic charm







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my expertise and field of contribution to the study group for AFTER



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### AFTER @ LHC

Important features :

- high luminosity (exploits LHC beams)
- explore high-x and backward rapidity region (thanks to the boost)
- target polarization
- vary the atomic mass of the target
- $\sqrt{s}$  = 115 GeV (p beam)

Which are useful to ... :

- advance our understanding of the high-x partonic content of nucleons&nuclei
- explore **3D structure** of (un)polarized hadrons in **momentum space**
- get new insights into heavy ion physics





target x range for DY :  $0.05 < x_{targ} < 0.95$ 

spin physics program

backward rapidity : almost unexplored in other fixed-target experiments







### AFTER @ LHC

**1D structure** in momentum space :

- improve (g, heavy quarks) PDFs at high-x ==> important for new physics searches - constrain "intrinsic" charm effects ==> important for particle and **astroparticle** physics (neutrino flux from cosmic rays)

- provide data for nuclear PDF studies

- new insights into the EMC effects ?

**3D structure** in momentum space :

- investigation of (un)polarized TMD PDFs via spin asymmetries
- inputs to the proton spin puzzle?
- tests for generalized universality of TMDs





# Mapping

Mapping is fundamental to the process of lending order to the World.

-ROBERT RUNDSTRUM, 1926







### **Inject gas into the beam** ... :

"A polarized gas target inside the LHC beam" C. Barschel, P. Lenisa, A. Nass, and E. Steffens, Adv.Hi.En.Phys. (2015) 463141

#### ... or extract the beam :

"LHC beam extracted by a bent crystal"

E. Uggerhøj, U.I Uggerhøj, NIM B 234 (2005) 31, Rev. Mod. Phys. 77 (2005) 1131

- no observed decrease for the LHC performance

- both currently under investigation at LHC and (unpolarized) gas option already tested (Smog)
- estimated luminosity per year : 10 fb<sup>-1</sup>





# TMDs and spin physics

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### Quark TMD PDFs in a proton

$$\Phi_{ij}(x,\mathbf{k}_T) \sim \langle P|\bar{\psi}_j(0) \ U_{[0,\xi]} \ \psi_i(\xi)|P\rangle_{|_{\mathrm{LF}}}$$

extraction of a **quark not collinear** with the proton



Twist-2 TMDs

Contain nonperturbative information, need (possibly global) fits!



 $f_1^q(x, k_T^2)$ involve all 3 components: richer than 1D PDFs

**spin-spin** and **spin-orbit** interactions

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#### Where can we observe TMDs ?

processes with two separate energy scales:

$$\Lambda_{\rm QCD} \ll q_T \ll Q$$

- Drell-Yan like
- SIDIS
- e+e- into two hadrons

#### How well do we know TMDs ?

- Good knowledge about unpolarized TMDs
- limited knowledge of the polarized structures (each one to a different extent)

A LOT of theoretical, experimental and phenomenological work is needed



#### - TMDs in unpolarized protons :

see the manifestation of proton structure at work in collisions of unpolarized hadrons \* Boer-Mulders effect

\* W<sup>±</sup> production from unpolarized proton collisions => important for flavor decomposition of quark TMDs

#### - TMDs in polarized protons :

for example to address the orbital angular momentum (**OAM**) of partons (e.g. the Sivers case)

A useful experimental handle to tackle polarized TMDs is a single transverse **spin asymmetry** :

the arrow represent the direction of the transverse spin of the target

 $A_N \sim$ 







### A<sub>N</sub> in Drell-Yan

#### AFTER@LHC - projections



#### proton target and LHCb-like detector

Measurements with very good precision (per cent level)

accuracy of 5% up to  $x^{\uparrow} \simeq 0.95$ 

test for the generalized universality of the Sivers function

Anselmino, D'Alesio, Melis : Adv.High Energy Phys. 2015 (2015) 475040



### Gluon-induced A<sub>N</sub>

...

multiple probes available, for example :

quarkonia (Yuan, PRD 78 (2008) 014024; Schaefer, J. Zhou, PRD (2013))

B - D meson production (M. Anselmino et al. PRD 70 (2004) 074025)

photon, photon-jet, di-photon production (A. Bacchetta et al., PRL 99 (2007) 212002; J.W. Qiu et al., PRL 107 (2011) 062001)

J/Psi + photon production(W. den Dunnen, J.P. Lansberg, C. Pisano, M. Schlegel, PRL 112, 212001 (2014))

All these measurements can be done with AFTER@LHC with the very high precision







# $A_N$ in $J/\Psi$ production

AFTER@LHC - projections



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precision : per mill level

small uncertainties are crucial for phenomenology.

Models can be constrained in a much more effective way



# $A_N$ in $\Upsilon$ production

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# $A_N$ in di - J/ $\Psi$ production

AFTER@LHC - projections

one of the most practical observables, due to the high yield



proton target and LHCb-like detector

precision : few per cent level

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# IC - Intrinsic Charm

References:

- Hobbs : arXiv:1612.05686
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### Intrinsic sea quarks in the proton

a component of non-perturbative origin to the sea quark content of the proton

### $\langle N|\bar{Q}Q|N\rangle - \langle 0|\bar{Q}Q|0\rangle$







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Brodsky, Ma - hep-ph/9707408

[...] Two distinct types of quark and gluon contributions to the nucleon sea [...]: "intrinsic" and "extrinsic".

"Intrinsic" sea quarks are multi-connected to the valence quarks of the nucleon

In contrast, "**extrinsic**" sea quarks are generated from the QCD hard bremsstrahlung and gluon splitting In this case, the sea quark structure is associated with the *internal composition of gluons*, rather than the proton itself.

 $\langle N|QQ|N\rangle - \langle 0|\bar{Q}Q|0\rangle$ 



|uudQQ|





### IC - why & where

#### measurements consistent (to different extents) with the hypothesis of IC :

**EMC** measurements of the large x F<sub>2c</sub> in muon DIS off iron EMC collaboration : Nucl.Phys. B213 (1983) 31-64 Harris, Smith, Vogt: Nucl.Phys. B461 (1996) 181-196

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Essentially we need more data : AFTER@LHC can play a role





The first global analysis of proton PDFs including IC : CTEQ Phys.Rev. D75 (2007) 054029 , Phys.Rev. D78 (2008) 013004

Ratio of anticharm distributions with and without IC contribution to anticharm PDF in CTEQ 6.6. Green: uncertainty with radiative charm.

**2014** different assumptions for IC

**CTEQ - TEA** global analysis Phys. Rev. D89 (2014) no.7, 073004

<xic> found to be "broader" than in 2007 analysis

Distributions in transverse momentum and y for  $W\pm/Z$  can be affected but effect is comparable to PDF uncertainties



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formalism including higher twist effect, target mass corrections, nuclear effects

without EMC data :  $\langle x_{ic} \rangle = 0$ , and  $\langle 0.1\%$  at 5 sigma (with caution!) including EMC data :  $<x_{ic}> = 0.15 \pm 0.09\%$ 

authors report EMC data in **tension** with the other data sets

#### 2015

J.Delgado, Hobbs, Londergan, Melnitchouk Phys.Rev.Lett. 114 (2015) no.8, 082002

$$F_2^c = F_2^{c\overline{c}} + F$$

demand for additional experimental measurements and analyses



 $\Gamma_2^{IC}$ 



with EMC data :  $<x_ic> = 0.7 \pm 0.3 \%$ 





#### 2016

NNPDF analysis with EMC data Eur.Phys.J. C76 (2016) no.11, 647

$$F_2^c = F_2^{pert} + F_2^{fit}$$









AFTER@LHC can play a role





### The role of AFTER@LHC

- inclusive charm-hadron production

- photon + charm-jet production

- EW boson production

- At LHC : Z + c production

#### provide additional experimental input with high luminosity for processes sensitive to charm quarks at **high-x**, such as:







### The role of AFTER@LHC

# provide additional experimental input

in general, effects are more evident at high transverse momenta or forward rapidities

see P. Ilten's talk and Phys.Rev. D93 (2016) no.7, 074008







### $D^{\cup}$ meson production at AFTER

uncertainties on the number of produced D<sup>0</sup>

generated from different models for IC, normalized to the number of produced D<sup>0</sup>

#### systematical 5% uncertainties

assumed, considering LHCb-like performance







### γ + c production at LHC



Phys.Lett. B728 (2014) 602-606

QCD predictions at NLO based on **CTEQ6.6M** (solid blue line),

#### BHPS CTEQ6c2 (dashed red line)

and sea-like CTEQ6c4 (dash-dotted green line).

The ratio of the cross sections with respect to the CTEQ6.6M (solid blue line) distribution (bottom).

> the cross section decreases fast with t.m., so this measurement is limited by statistics







γ + c production at AFTER





Adv.High Energy Phys. 2015 (2015) 231547

At AFTER the **impact of IC** would be **relevant at lower pT**, with higher cross section with respect to the LHC





### Conclusions

#### **AFTER@LHC**:

- high luminosity (exploits LHC beams)
- explore high-x and backward rapidity region
- target polarization
- outstanding performances for studies of spin asymmetries

The effects of IC are larger at experimets with a lower center-of-mass energy .

Therefore, a fixed target experiment like AFTER@LHC operating at a center-of-mass energy 115 GeV would be ideally suited to constrain IC effects.





### Backup

Includes material from :

- J.P. Lansberg's talk at DIS 2016
- D. Kikola's talk at SPIN 2016

For more details about the experimental setup see : http://after.in2p3.fr







### Special issue

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# Physics at a Fixed-Target Experiment Using the LHC Beams

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A Gas Target Internal to the LHC for the Study of pp Single-Spin Asymmetries and Heavy Ion Collisions by C. Barschel, P. Lenisa, A. Nass, and E. Steffens. Adv.Hi.En.Phys. (2015) 463141

Quarkonium production and proposal of the new experiments on fixed target at LHC by N.S. Topilskaya, and A.B. Kurepin. Adv.Hi.En.Phys. (2015) 760840

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Polarized gluon studies with charmonium and bottomonium at LHCb and AFTER By D. Boer, C. Pisano. Phys.Rev. D86 (2012) 094007





### Internal gas target - Smog



- Initially: low density Ne-gas injected into LHCb Vertex Locator [LHCb-CONF-2012-034]
- Short pilot runs: 2012 pNe at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$  = 87 GeV & 2013 PbNe at  $\sqrt{s_{NN}}$  = 54 GeV
- 12 hours of *p*Ne and 8 hours *p*He (09/2015); 3 days of *p*Ar in (10/2015)
- I week of PbAr (12/2015)
- Noble gases favoured
- Target unpolarised with the current SMOG system
- SMOG test : no decrease of LHC performances observed



#### SMOG: System for Measuring Overlap with Gas

→ injection of Ne-gas into VELO

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### Internal gas target - Smog

- Similar luminosities for pA than with the extracted beam options (up to 60  $\mu$ b<sup>-1</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>)
- To get 10 fb<sup>-1</sup> $y^{-1}$  for pp, P should reach 10<sup>-7</sup> bar

This can be achieved with a target storage cell which can be polarised C. Barschel, P. Lenisa, A. Nass, and E. Steffens, Adv.Hi.En.Phys. (2015) 463141; See E. Steffens's talk at PSTP 2015

• Simply scaled up, this would give, for Pbp or PbA, 100 nb<sup>-1</sup> $y^{-1}$ .  $\Rightarrow$  For PbA, limitations would come first from the beam lifetime, pile-up and exp. DAQ A specific gas target is a competitive alternative to the beam extraction





### Frames and rapidities

### Boost effect: LHCb becomes a backward detector

- Because of the boost  $y_{CM} = 0 \Rightarrow y_{Lab} \simeq 4.8$
- The pseudo-rapidity coverage of LHCb,  $2 \le \eta \le 5$ , approximately translates to a rapidity coverage in the *CM* of roughly  $-2.8 \le y_{CM} \le 0.2$
- ALICE muon arm:  $2.5 \le \eta \le 4 \Rightarrow -2.3 \le y_{CM} \le -0.8$

#### • access to partons with momentum fraction $x \rightarrow 1$ in the target

Hadron center-of-mass system



Target rest frame





### XF range - comparisons







### Luminosity

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Experiment	particles	beam en- ergy (GeV)	<i>√s</i> (GeV)	$x^{\uparrow}$	$\mathcal{L}$ (cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	$\boldsymbol{\mathscr{P}}_{ ext{eff}}$	$\mathcal{F}$ (cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )
AFTER@LHCb	$p+p^{\uparrow}$	7000	115	$0.05 \div 0.95$	$1 \cdot 10^{33}$	80%	$6.4 \cdot 10^{32}$
AFTER@LHCb	$p+^{3}\text{He}^{\uparrow}$	7000	115	$0.05 \div 0.95$	$2.5 \cdot 10^{32}$	23%	$1.4 \cdot 10^{31}$
AFTER@ALICE $_{\mu}$	$p+p^{\uparrow}$	7000	115	0.1 ÷ 0.3	$2.5 \cdot 10^{31}$	80%	$1.6 \cdot 10^{31}$
COMPASS (CERN)	$\pi^{\pm} + p^{\uparrow}$	190	19	0.2 ÷ 0.3	2 · 10 <sup>33</sup>	18%	6.5 · 10 <sup>31</sup>
PHENIX/STAR (RHIC)	$p^{\uparrow} + p^{\uparrow}$	collider	510	0.05 ÷ 0.1	2 · 10 <sup>32</sup>	50%	5.0 · 10 <sup>31</sup>
E1039 (FNAL)	$p + p^{\uparrow}$	120	15	0.1 ÷ 0.45	4 · 10 <sup>35</sup>	15%	9.0 · 10 <sup>33</sup>
E1027 (FNAL)	$p^{\uparrow} + p$	120	15	0.35 ÷ 0.9	$2 \cdot 10^{35}$	60%	$7.2 \cdot 10^{34}$
NICA (JINR)	$p^{\uparrow} + p$	collider	26	0.1 ÷ 0.8	$1 \cdot 10^{32}$	70%	$4.9 \cdot 10^{31}$
fsPHENIX (RHIC)	$p^{\uparrow} + p^{\uparrow}$	collider	200	0.1 ÷ 0.5	8 · 10 <sup>31</sup>	60%	2.9 · 10 <sup>31</sup>
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PANDA (GSI)	$ar{p}+p^{\uparrow}$	15	5.5	0.2 ÷ 0.4	$2 \cdot 10^{32}$	20%	8.0 · 10 <sup>30</sup>

of merit of the target defined as  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{P}_{eff}^2 \times \mathcal{L}$ , with  $\mathcal{L}$  being the instantaneous luminosity.

AFTER working group - arXiv 1702.\*\*\*\*

Table 3: Compilation inspired from [11, 50] of the relevant parameters for the future or planned polarised DY experiments. The effective polarisation ( $\mathcal{P}_{eff}$ ) is a beam polarisation (where relevant) or an average polarisation times a (possible) dilution factor (for a gas target, similar to the one developed for HER-MES [46, 105, 106]) or a target polarisation times a dilution factor (for the NH<sub>3</sub> target used by COMPASS and E1039). For AFTER@LHC the numbers correspond to a gas target.  $\mathcal{F}$  is the (instantaneous) spin figure



### Simulation setup

#### Fast simulation using LHCb reconstruction parameters Projection for a LHCb-like detector

- Simulations with Pythia 8.185
- HELAC-Onia for quarkonium, *cc*, *bb* and Drell-Yan signal
- Fast LHCb simulation with realistic resolution, analysis cuts, efficiencies
- Requirements:
  - Momentum resolution :  $\Delta p/p = 0.5\%$
  - Muon identification efficiency: 98%
- Cuts at the single muon level
  - $2 < \eta_{\mu} < 5$
  - $p_{T\mu} > 0.7 \text{ GeV}$
- Muon misidentification:
  - If  $\pi$  and K decay before the calorimeters (12m), they are rejected by the tracking
  - otherwise a misidentification probability is applied following: F. Achilli et al, JINST 8 (2013) P10020

L. Massacrier, B. Trzeciak, et al., Adv. Hi. En. Phys. (2015) 986348





### A<sub>N</sub> in Drell-Yan - neutron

AFTER@LHC - projections

$$f_{1T}^{\perp q}$$



LHCb like detector

He3 target

important for neutron studies : Sivers function in a neutron



# $A_N$ in $J/\Psi$ production

AFTER@LHC - projections



### $D^{\pm/*}$ meson production at AFTER



cross section without IC ratio of cross sections with different CTEQ6.6 PDF members (= different IC models) to cross section w/o IC



